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8TH & MARKET SPACE

Very Busy House BHOWS THAT WE ARE STRENGTHENING
THE FRIENDLY BUSINESS RELATION BETWEEN THIS STORE AND THE PUBLIC, WITHOUT WHICH THERE CAN BE NO SUCCESS.
WE WANT YOU TO KEEP COMING. THE CONFIDENCE THAT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED BETWEEN US IS A TRUE MARK OF APPRECIATION AND ONE WHICH WILL NEVER CEASE,
AS FAR AS OUR AIM GOES TO PLEASE.

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Silks & Woolens THE TWO LEADING WEARING FABRICS OF THE DAY, AND WE ARE BEGINNING TO SHOW THEM IN LARGE QUANTITIES. OUR ORDERS ARE ALWAYS PLACED SIX MONTHS AHEAD, WHICH ENABLES US TO GET THE VERY NEWEST CONCEITS IN CHEAP GOODS AS WELL AS IN NOVELTIES.

We have placed special attention to advertisements, as we wish to make Monday the banner day in these two departments.

DOUBLE-WIDTH NEW SPRING PLAIDS, A
GUARANTEE OF 33 PER CENT WOOL DIFFERENT CLAN EFFECTS, SUITABLE FOR YOUNG
WOLKS AS WELL AS CHILDREN, WE KNOWAND YOU WILL SEE THAT THEY ARE A
GREAT BARGALY AT

12½C.

PRETTY NEW SPRING CHEVIOTS, ASSORTED TANS AND GRAY MIXTURES. DOUBLE WIDTH, AND WARRANTED ALL WOOL. ANOTHER ONE OF OUR SPECIAL VALUES.

88 AND 50-INCH STRICTLY ALL-WOOL PLAIDS, PLAIN AND FANCY STRIPED AND CHECK CHEVIOTS: ALSO KNICKERBOCKER MIXTURES, LIGHT TAN, GRAY AND NEW GREEN COLORINGS; WOULD MAKE A VERY SWILL DRESS AT A TRIVLE COST, BECAUSE WE ARE SELLING THE ENTIRE LINE AT

30C. A yd.

40-INCH NOVELTIES IN LIGHT, MEDIUM AND DARK COLORINGS, ALL-WOOL AND SILK-AND-WOOL MINTURES. THIS LINE DEMANDS SPECIAL ATTENTION ON ACCOUNT OF THERE CLOSE RESEMBLANCE TO IMPORTED WEAVES. THEY WERE BOUGHT LONG BEFORE THE PATTLING OF THE FALL LEAVES, THEREFORE WE GOT THE VERY BEST THING ON THE MARKET TO SELL AT

After you are thoroughly interested in this line we shall continue on our finer domestic and imported slightly cooler than usual, the average

Black Goods.

large as any in the city of Washington. We are careful to select only
such grades and makes as will rank best of their kind.

THEY ARE GOING TO BE WORN MORE THAN EVER, AND ESPECIALLY FOR SEPARATE SKIRTS. OUR PATTERNS ARE BEAUTIFUL, AND THE QUALITY UP TO HIGH STANDARD.

WE HAVE REFERENCE TO THE LINE WE ARE

OUR 45-INCH SILK FINISHED GERMAN HEN-RIETTAS ARE AS STAPLE AS O. N. T. COTTON, WE ALWAYS BUY THEM IN CASE LOTS, IF WE HANDLE SMALL QUANTITIES WE WOULD NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT ON HAND TO SUPPLY THE TRADE. OUR PRICE IS

ALL-WOOL BLACK FIGURED SERGES, 46
RICHES WIDE: THE IDENTICAL PATTERNS
ARE ALSO SHOWN IN SILKS, NOW, THE
QUESTION IS WHETHER THE SILK MILLS
COPIED HOOM THE WOOLENS, OR VICE VERSA
—WE TINK IT MUST BE A CAPITAL GOOD
THING. WE ARE SELLING THEM AT

SINCH BLACK WOOL AND MOHAIR CHEV-T-NOT THE REAL ROUGH EFFECT CLOTH. HAS A FINISH ON THE ORDER OF SERGE, ND HAS THE WEARING QUALITIES OF IRON.

OUR LINE OF SILK AND WOOL NOVELTIES REPRESENT, PERHAPS, TWENTY-FIVE DIFFERENT STYLES. THEY INCLUDE THE NEW CREPONS, JACQUARDS AND VIGOREUX, THE PRICE MADE FOR THIS SELECTION IS

elties, ranging in prices from \$1.25

to \$4.98 a yard, and you will see goods that a great many cannot dis-

week's vacation just to see if he couldn't find what he would call one as possible, but although it was not a sumptuous banquet, it was at least agreeor two great bargains in Silks. He struck it!

HE GOT HOLD OF A LINE OF FINE FANCY IMPORTED TAFFETAS THAT COST TO IMPORT MORE THAN ONE DOLLAR A YARD. THERE ISN'T A MISSING SHADE IN THE LOT. IN BOTH LIGHT AND DARK COLORINGS. BESIDES, THERE IS BLACK AND WHITE ALSO IN THIS SELECTION. FOR STREET, FOR HOUSE, FOR RECEPTIONS OR FOR PARTY WAISTS OR DRESSES THERY ECLIPSE ALL OTHER SILKS, AND THE MOST INTERESTING PART OF ALL IS THE PRICE.

They'll be displayed on Monday.

YELLOW, BLUE, GRAY, TAN, NAVY, PINE, CARDINAL, CREAM AND WHITE BROCADE IN-DIAS, 22 INCHES WIDE,

24-INCH HANDSOME BROCADE BLACK TAP-

32-INCH EXTRA QUALITY BLACK JAP. SILK. WILL OUTWEAR ANY GRADE OF LIKE FAB-RIC ON THE MARKET.

24-INCH SUPERIOR GRADE OF BLACK SATIN DUCHESS, QUALITY UNSURPASSED, 28-INCH BLACK SATIN DUCHESS FOR CAPES,

S. Kann, sons & co. 8TH ST. AND MARKET SPACE.



DEPARTURE FROM NORMAL TEMPERATURE, JANUARY, 1896.

Cold Waves in January.

Precipitation.

A WARM JANUARY (80 degrees on the 11th), and Winnemucca, Nev. (86 degrees on the 20th).

The Weather Bureau's Bulletin for the Past Month.

LESS RAIN AND SNOW THAN USUAL

Exceptional Departures From the

ALL-WOOL DOUBLE WIDTH CHECKS AND MIXED SUITINGS, VERY DESIRBLE PATTERNS, FOR MISSES AND CHILDREN'S SCHOOL DRESS-ES; WILL MAKE UP VERY STYLISH AND WEAR WELL. WE THINK THEM AWFULLY CHEAP AT

25C.

38-INCH SILK AND WOOL, MOHAIR AND WOOL AND ALL-WOOL MIXTURES, STRIPES AND CHECKS, WITHOUT EXCEPTION THE PREFITEST ASSORTMENT OF EARLY SPRING DRESS MATERIAL THAT ANY ONE COULD WISH TO SELECT FROM; NOT TOO DARK OR LIGHT; JUST MEDIUM COLORINGS, THAT CREATE QUICK SALES. THE PRICE CANNOT BE DUPLICATED IN THE CITY—

The weather crop bulletin of the weather bureau for January has just been issued, showing a remarkable record. The month just passed was known in Washington to be unusually mild, and there was practically a 'otal lack of snow, so that it was a common remark that the winter had been lost altogether this year. This bulletin shows that the condition so notable here The weather crop bulletin of the weather shows that the condition so notable here prevailed to even a greater degree throughout the country, and that with the exception of a comparatively insignificant strip of eastern territory the month was warm and dry. In the map accompanying this statement the shaded portion indicates the area of temperatures higher than the normal, while the irregular lines ending in figures show the amount of departure from the average temperature for the month. The unshaded area shows the small strip of Atlantic coast country that experienced lower temperatures than usual.

It is stated in the bulletin that: "The average temperature for the month over portions of western New York, and generally throughout Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware and southern New Jersey, was normal, but elsewhere in the Atlantic coast and east gulf districts the month averaged dally deficiency being greatest along the immediate coast, where it generally ranged from three degrees to four degrees per day.

"In the upper lake region, Ohio valley, This department occupies a space In our house as prominent and as Tennessee, and throughout the entire country to the westward of the Mississipal river the month was not as cold as usual, the temperature was not as cold as usual, ton, Oregon and 10rthern Utah, the avereleven degrees, the maximum excess ranging from twelve degrees to fourteen de-grees per day occurring over the western portions of Nebraska and Kansas. Along the immediate Pacific coast the average temperature for the month ranged from two degrees to four degrees per day above the average, the excess increasing east-

"Generally the temperature extremes of the month were not unusual. The 6th, how-ever, was an exceptionally cold day in New England and the lower lake region, and at a number of stations in these districts the minimum temperatures on that date were he lowest on record for the first decade of January. The mly maximum tempera-tures exceeding the January record of former years occurred at Los Angeles, Cal. degrees, on the 6th.

UNEXPECTED GUESTS TO DINE.

The Wife of a Chicago Jurist Pleasantly Teaches Him a Lesson.

From the Chicago Chronicle. Hardly anything is more calculated to rouse a woman's ire than the bringing home by her husband of unexpected dinner guests. Most men are aware that this is a particularly dangerous thing to do, but occasionally the husband is sufficiently courageous to brave the inevitable curtain lecture. A distinguished jurist not long ago periled his domestic peace in this way, and

is now congratulating himself on the outcome of the affair. After a particularly successful day's hustness he invited two or three of his profes-PRICE MADE FOR THIS SELECTION IS

OCC.

Let us show you while in this department our line of Imported Novelties, ranging in prices from \$1.25 versation and accomplished in every way. The guests therefore looked forward to a

most enjoyable evening.
When the party arrived at the judge's when the party arrived at the judge's home they were received by the hostess in her usual charming manner, not a sign being visible to them that they were unexpected guests. The host, however, caught a look of his wife's eye, which reminded him forcibly that there was a hereafter. The lady was entirely equal to the occasion. She did not fuss and frown, and make things unpleasant all around. She accepted the situation with a good grace and made the situation with a good grace and made tomers. Our Silk buyer took a the situation with a good grace and made the best of it.

The modest meal was served as promptly

in view of the apparent mildness of the atmosphere. The maximum local tempera-

no departure. This is somewhat surprising, ture for the month was 60 degrees, experienced on the 30th, and the lowest was 8

reached three inches.

Winter Wheat States.

depths range from five to twenty inches

from March 1, 1895, to January 31, 1836,

country has received decidedly less than

temperature is 38 degrees. This year there

was an excess of one degree in December.

The January normal is 33 degrees, five

shows that much the greater part of the

week?"
The keen-witted lawyers took in the situation, and amid a chorus of laughter readily accepted the invitation. The lady left the room, and for the next half hour the

judge was the target for innumerable sal-lies. These he bore good-humoredly, proud of his wife's tact and adroitness. The dinner next week was a tremendous success, and it was noticed that the hostess wore a handsome diamond brooch which she had never exhibited before. The judge declines to say yes or no, but his friends assert the brooch was a peace offering and a token that never again will he bring unexpected guests home to dinner.

Some Kentucky Amenities. From the Lexington Herald.

The sensational stories which have furrished toothsome morsels for the gossipers of Versailles and Woodford county for nearly six months culminated in a sensational scene on the streets of Nicholasville yesterscene on the streets of Nicholasville yester-day. John Garrett, a nephew of Policeman Estes Garrett of Lexington, who is the al-leged author of the damaging stories, sign-ed the following lie bill at the point of a re-volver in the hands of James Graves, the prominent turfman of Versailles: "This is to certify that the remarks made concerning Miss Sallie Meyers, Mrs. Virgle Graves and other ladies in the neighborhood are all lies of my own make-up, and I admit that I am a liar and a villain of the deepest that I am a liar and a villain of the deepest dye, and that I am a low-down puppy and a thief. I sign this of my own free will.

"JOHN GARRETT."

A SPANISH IDEA OF NEWS CENSORSHIP.



ISSUE OF BONDS THE SOCIAL WORLD

How the Government Will Supply the New Securities.

A LARGE INDIVIDUAL HOLDER

What is Done When These Evidences of Debt Are Lost.

WITH THE BIG CAPITALISTS

Just as soon as the bids for the new bonds were opened at the Treasury Department and offers were accepted, the bidders were notified, and word was sent to the chief of the bureau of engraving and printing to prepare for the issue of the bonds. The plates are the same as those used for printing the last issue. The stereotyped bond designs are kept on cylinders of hardened The distinctive paper on which the bonds

"During the first five days of January an are printed has been seasoning in the vaults of the bureau for a long time. Before the work of printing is completed, the chief will have a memorandum of the exact number wanted, and this number will be delivered to the Treasury Department, going over in the big inclosed wagon which carries all the government securities from the engraving bureau to the Treasury Department. The bonds are not made complete at the bureau. The final touch is added at the Treasury Department when the government seal is printed on them. The signatures on bank notes or government currency are engraved at the bureau and printed when the notes are printed, but the signature of the register on the bonds is made at the treasury, not by the register himare printed has been seasoning in the vaults mmense cold wave, of unusual severity, developed and spread over the entire United States east of the Rocky mountains, except the southern portion of the Florida peninsula. Cold-wave signals were displayed at every weather bureau station in this territory twenty-four hours or more in ad-vance of the arrival of this wave. A mod-erate cold wave occurred on the 11th and 12th in the Missouri and upper Mississippi "There was more than the usual amount of precipitation over northwestern Louised when the notes are printed, but the signature of the register on the bonds is made at the treasury, not by the register himself, but by one of the clerks, who also puts his distinctive mark on the bond when he makes a record of it. Every bond can be traced back through the official hands which touched it in the process of making and issuing it, and the responsibility for any error placed where it belongs. This caution is very necessary, since one little bond may represent \$50,000. Only one bond greater than this amount was ever issued by the government, and this bond now hangs on the wall of the office of the register of the treasury. It was for \$15,500,000, the amount of the Geneva award paid by England in satisfaction of what were known as the "Alahama claims." This money was paid to Hamilton Fish as Secretary of State, and as Congress had made no provision for the disposal of it, he invested it in government 5 per cents, and the Secretary of the Treasury, for convensione, issued a single bond to him. The bond was canceled when the court of Alabama claims distributed its awards. Beside this big bond on the wall of the register's office hangs the oldest bond recorded in the treasury. It was issued February 6, 1777, to John Bonfield. It was for \$300, and it was to run for three years, with interest at 4 per cent.

An Individual Holding iana and central and western Texas, over the greater part of California, and along the immediate North Pacific coast. The excess over portions of Texas and northwestern Louisiana ranged from 1 to 3 inches, and was more than 1 inch over the greater part of California and along the immediate coasts of Oregon and Washington. In central California the monthly precipitation ranged from two to five inches above the January average. There was also more than the average January precipitation along the northern border of the country from Idaho to the upper Michigan peninsula, and over limited areas in west-ern New York and in the east gulf states. "Generally in all districts east of the Mis-sissippi and over an extensive area to the westward, including the states of Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska and portions of Minnesota and South Dakota the month was drier than usual, and marked deficienties. was drier than usual, and marked deficiencies as compared with the average exist over nearly the whole of the regions named. Over much the greater part of the country east of the Mississippi river the deficiency in precipitation exceeded one inch, and over the lower Ohio valley, Tennessee and the northern portions of Alabama and Georgia it ranged from two to four inches, being greater in eastern Tennessee Alore. terest at 4 per cent. being greatest in eastern Tennessee. Along the Atlantic coast from New England to

An Individual Holding.

North Carolina the deficiency generally ex-ceeded two inches, and in some sections This bond of \$15,500,000 which Secretary Fish once held did not represent by 65 per cent the amount of government bonds once held by an individual. William H. Vander-"At the close of the month the winter bilt once owned in registered bonds \$45,wheat states were wholly free from snow, 000,000. The records of the treasury show and the southern limit of the snow-covered this fact. The Treasury Department knows just where all of the registered bonds are held, with the exception of a few which are in the hands of people to whom they have not been transferred formally after purarea did not extend southward of Minnesota. There was practically no snow over southern Michigan and none south of in the hands of people to whom they have not been transferred formally after purchase. The purchasers of registered bonds do not wait very long before notifying the Secretary of the Treasury and going through the formality of transfer, as the checks for interest for the bonds are sent to the persons whose names appear on the books of the Treasury Department. On the treasury books an account is opened with each person who becomes the owner of northern New England. Along the southern shore of Lake Ontario, from Rochester to Oswego, the depth ranged from three to six inches; along the coast of Maine the depth of snow averaged about five inches; and over northern Vermont ten inches are reported. Near the northern border from the upper Michigan peninsula having from ten to eighteen inches-much less than each person who becomes the owner of registered bends. The books are closed one month before the time when interest is usual.
"A comparison of the total precipitation

After the books close no transfers mailed. These cheeks are mailed promptly on the day when the interest is due, and country has received decidedly less than the average precipitation."

Washington Weather.

For Washington the December normal temperature is 38 degrees. This year there was an excess of one degree in December.

The January normal is 33 degrees, five The January normal is 33 degrees, five lower than in December, and this year the records for the month show that there was no departure. This is somewhat surprising, but few cases that they are not found. In those few cases the checks are returned to the treasury, where they are held awaiting the claim of the owner of the bond. But the checks, which are delivered promptly in almost every case, are not sent in promptly for collection. People who own able to guests and host. When dinner was over, just before leaving the gentlemen to their wine and cigars, the hostess arose, and, flashing an amused glance at her husthe day they are received. But people who have comparatively small sums invested in band, said:

"Gentlemen, remember you have dined with the judge this evening; will you do me the honor of dining with me this day

have comparatively small sums invested in bonds, and who have no good investment in sight, frequently save the checks of the treasury as a safe form of deposit. They accumulate until the owner dies, in some cases, and then the executor of his estate sends them in in a lump. Sometimes they are destroyed, and then the government is ahead so much. Often bonds are destroyed, and their value is not claimed, and the government began the government the second the government. government has been the gainer by the carelessness of bondholders in an enormous

Provision is made for the issue of dupliates of both coupon and registered bonds when they have been destroyed, or of a registered bond when it has been lost by the owner. If the owner of a registered bond comes to the Treasury Department and makes application for the issue of a duplicate, filing a perpetual bond in doucle the amount, with accrued interest, the gov-

ernment will issue a duplicate. When a registered bond has been muti-lated, the pieces are sent in with the affidavit. Bonds are torn by children some-times, or they are burned or injured in some other way. Sometimes they are destroyed entirely, and on the presentation of satisfactory affidavits, whether the bond is coupon or registered, the Secretary of the Treasury will issue a duplicate on the terms I have named.

Where the Bonds Go.

The number of coupon bonds in the present issue is larger than it will be a year hence, because as the securities accumulate in the hands of investment purchasers the coupon bonds will be exchanged for the registered bonds. Every loan changes character in this way. Most of these registered bonds are in the hands of people or institutions owning large amounts. No loan is really "popular." Only 1 per cent of the registered bonds outstanding in the name of individuals is held by the 10,000 people who have small holdings. The remainder is with the big capitalists, who are secure of the government's 3 per cent, when they would be worried all the time about the problematical 5, 6 or 8 per cent of a railroad company or some other busi-Most of the \$100,000,000 worth of the present bond issue will be shipped from the treasury to individuals or to the subtreasurles where they are to be delivered to the subscribers. A comparatively small amount ple will ship gold or gold certificates to the treasury from not far distant points and ask that the bonds be shipped to them di-rect. But most of the bids opened call for the delivery of the bonds at the subtreas-

will be taken from the Treasury Depart-ment by subscribers here, and some peothe delivery of the bonds at the subtreas-uries in New York, Philadelphia and other large cities. The bonds are put up in heavy paper wrappers, sealed with the treasury seal and delivered to the agent of the United States Express Company, who has an office in the treasury building. His com-pany has the contract for carrying all the government's securities. The company will make about \$7,500 out of the issue. The average government express rate for bonds is 7½ cents on each \$1,000 carried in the is 1/2 cents on each \$1,000 carried in the territory east of the Missouri river. The rate for the coupon bond is 10 cents and for the registered bond 5 cents. The risk in carrying registered bonds is very small—almost nothing, in fact—and the rate charged on them merely pays for the labor of handling and transporting. But if an express car should be robbed and \$5,000,000 worth of registered bonds stelen and deworth of registered bonds stolen and de-stroyed, even a rich express company would feel a little bit embarrassed when called on to give a perpetual bond for \$10,-000,000 for the issue of duplicates. There is not much likelihood of any such happen-ing, though. No bonds have been stolen within the experience of the company now having the contract.

(Continued from Seventh Page.)

and Mrs. Hudson the first and Mrs. Constant the second, an elegant luncheon was Miss Grace Chase of Cambridge, Mass. is visiting her cousin, Mrs. W. Harry Clarke of 2304 14th street.

A merry party of young friends assembled at the residence of Mrs. John Nesline, 1835 7th street, last evening to tender a surprise and offer congratulations to her young daughter, Miss Minnie, the occasion being her fourteenth birthday. Vocal and instrumental music and games, including the donkey game, were greatly enjoyed. The first prize was won by Miss Annie Schneider ard the consolation by Miss O. Borger. Later a bountiful supper was spread and enjoyed by the fair ones. Among those present were the Misses K. Specht, E. Sanders, O. Borger, R. Kohlman, M. Nesline, B. Beane, M. Schneider, E. Smith and A. Nesline, Messrs. H. Eberly, J. Dowling, F. Hohman, J. Nesline, G. Specht, E. Minnickle and J. and Joe Nesline. A merry party of young friends assem

Miss Bertle Mailhouse is the guest of Miss Ernie Meyer of 1124 10th street, and will be home Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Sol Smith Russell will be

the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred. G. Berger, 2523 13th street, and will be at home, with Mrs. Berger, Thursday, 13th, from Mrs. and Miss Peachy will not be a home today, but will receive for the last time Saturday, February 15. Mrs. Brinton Stone, 1721 De Sales street,

will be at home Mondays in February af-Mrs. Channing Roper has returned, after an absence of nearly three months, which she spent, accompanied by her sister and nlece, in visiting different points of inter-est in Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia and Florida.

Mrs. J. C. Edwards and Mrs. H. W. Van senden of 1456 Euclid place will not be at home Monday, but will receive their friends Friday, February 14, assisted by Mrs. Mantz. Mrs. Beveridge will be at home Monday

next after 4.

rortheast.

Mrs. James Rankin Young and Mrs. Chas W. Strine of Philadelphia are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Beale R. Howard, at 1410 16th street, and will assist Mrs. Howard at her reception Wednesday next. The Original Brownie Pleasure Club me

last night et their new club rooms in Society Temple. The club's rooms are hand-somely furnished and decorated. Mrs. Povers, wife of Representative Powers, and Miss Powers left today for Florida. They will return some time in March. Mrs. Hicks will be at home Mondays in February, from 3 to 6, at her residence on Capitol Hill, 1001 Massachusetts avenue

Mrs. Lambele de St. Omer of New York is the guest of Mrs. R. Exner of 472 O street for a few days, where she will be pleased to see her friends Sunday. Mrs. John W. Foster and Mrs. McKee will receive Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Robert N. Harper, 29 B street, will be at home Monday next, assisted by Miss Brooks of Providence, R. I.; Miss Dolan of Louisville, Ky.; Miss Mills and Mrs. Craw-ford.

Mrs. Kyle, wife of Senator Kyle, and Mrs. C. R. McKenney will not receive Monday next, but will be at home the following Monday, from 3 to 5, at 128 A street north-

Miss Birdie V. Winternitz of Baltimore, Md., is the guest of the Misses Heilbrun of 1126 10th street.

An exceedingly pretty and very largely attended tea was given yesterday, from 5 to 8 p.m., by Mrs. E. W. Donn and her daughters, Miss Donn and Miss Bessie, assisted by Miss Elizabeth Donn of Baltimore. Potted and tropical plants in profusion, scat-tered about the large parlors and halls, en-hanced the beauty of the decorations of La France roses, smilax and ferns. From the chandelier in the dining room to the table were streamers of broad pink ribbons, gathered in bows at the corners, the table covers being in harmony with the floral deco-rations. Mrs. Edward Stevens and Mrs. W. M. Shuster, jr., presided at the center table, while the other tables were looked after by Mrs. E. B. Hay, Miss Wymer, Miss Stetson, the Miss Fuger, the Misses Traphagen, Miss Ames, Miss Davis, Miss Thompson and Miss Mannix.

Mrs. Bankhead, wife of Representative Bankhead of Alabama, and Mrs. T. M. Owen will receive Monday next, from 3 to 6, assisted by their guests, Mrs. W. H. Perry and Mrs. Shober. In the receiving party will be Mrs. Munce, Miss Dashield, Misses McCampbell and Miss Moore. Mrs. Claude A. Swanson will hold her

last reception Tuesday afternoon. She will be assisted by Mrs. A. D. Lyons, Mrs. E. W. Barrett, Miss Read and Miss Hutchison. Mrs. Mitchell, wife of Senator Mitchell of Wisconsin will not receive Monday, February 10, but will be at home the following Mondays in February.

Mrs. G. F. Dudley, 3208 14th street, is just recovering from a long sickness, which has confined her to the house all winter. Mrs. Deborah J. Apple of 1705 T street will be at home to her friends Mondays, February 10, 17 and 24, from 6 to 9.

Mrs. Shiras will not receive Monday, February 10. Mrs. Daniel N. Morgan and Miss Morgan will not receive Monday, February 10, but will be at home on the following Monday at the Normandie. Cards are out announcing the engage-

ment of Mr. Fred Schwab of this city to Miss Mollie Wheatfield of Baltimore. They will receive at the home of the bride-elect's parents, 2382 Madison avenue, Baltimore, on February 16 and 23. Mrs. F. W. Dickens and Mrs. C. H. Wal-

worth are expected on the 12th, to be the guests of Mrs. Brackett during the continental congress, D. A. R. Mrs. Brackett has cards out for a reception on the 14th, from 4 to 7.

Mrs. George Washington Cissel will receive formally at her residence, 1645 31st street, on Monday, February 10, from 3 till 6, for the last time this season. She will be assisted by her daughter, Mrs. John H. Roche, the Misses Ten Eyck, Cora Brown, Orendorff, Tucker, Wyville, Berry and Se-

Mrs. George Washington Cissel leaves for a two months' trip south on February 14, attending the festivities of Mardi Gras in New Orleans, her former home.

The Ideal Leap Year Club entertained its gentlemen friends Wednesday evening last with a very pleasant dancing reception. During intermission a supper was served in the dining hall, where La France roses lent beauty and fragrance, and the pink-shaded lamps shed a soft mellow light, in perfect harmony with the occasion. The perfect harmony with the occasion. The committee of arrangements was composed of Misses Chandler, Nelson, R. Casper, E. Pumphrey, O'Neill and R. Baptiste. The others present were Mr. and Mrs. James Sexton, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hinkle, and Misses E. Padgett, V. and L. Jennings, M. Casper, A. Pumphrey, E. and R. Moulton, E. Baptista, H. Padgett, Gordon, Hardy, Pearson, Hodgson, Patterson and Rogers. E. Baptista, H. Padgett, Gordon, Hardy, Pearson, Hodgson, Patterson and Rogers, and Messrs. Casper, Espey, Padgett, Jen-nings, Madison, Plant, Hulse, Johnson, Atchison, Whitcomb, Yount, Dick, Free-land, Hicks, O'Neill, Earnshaw, Titus, Cissell, Steinberg and Harmon. Miss Ada R. Baxter of Philadelphia is

visiting Mrs. D. McMurtrie of 1513 16th

A unique and delightful dance was given at the home of Miss Griesbauer on 9th street last evening. Being a "hard time leap year dance," the young ladies wore shirt waists and white duck shirts, there was accordion music, and refreshments consisted of orangeade and ginger wafers. The programs, which were decidedly original, were designed and executed by Miss Griesbauer, being written on brown wrap-ping paper and decorated with brownies. ping paper and decorated with brownies. At midnight the party repaired to the dining room, where an elegant collation was served. Among those present were Misses Fannie Cottrell, Ada Miller, Elsie Elterich, Kitty Moriarity, Mrs. H. B. Wilson, Kate. Cullen, Emma Voight and Anna M. Griesbauer, and Messrs. W. White Handley, C. C. Burton, Mr. McKeon, Fred. O'Connell, Edwin M. Bennett, Frank White, H. E. Tripp, G. D. Sudduth, Frank Ghiselli, Albert Willson and H. B. Willson.

A pleasant evening was spent last Mon-

A pleasant evening was spent last Mon-A pleasant evening was spent last Monday at the residence of Mrs. G. O. Burke, 27 L street, the occasion being a surprise birthday party to Mr. James B. Coit. Music formed a pleasant feature of the evening. At a late hour a bountiful supper was served. Among those present were Dr. and Mrs. Braden, Miss Carrie Braden, Miss Gertrude Hilton, Miss Kate Bacon, Miss

The public opening of the magnificent Columbia Bicycle Academy will be held on Monday. The Academy, with its 12,ooo feet of floor space, is located at 22d and P streets. The Marine Band will be in attendance at the opening. Evening reception from 8 to 11:30 by card. F street cars pass the door.

Columbia Bicycle Academy,

J. Hart Brittain.

Manager.

Brakhagen, Mrs. Grier, Mr. and Mrs. Potts, Mrs. Posey, Mrs. Myers and son, Frank, Mr. and Mrs. Burke, Mr. Herfurth and Mr. Colt.

Mrs. Mary A. Parke has come to stay

a few weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Bell Torbert, 1410 Chapin street, where she Mrs. E. S. Walter of Walbrook, Baltimore, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jno. S. Dutrow, 644 B street southwest. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Greenburgh, 1130 8th street, will be at home tomorrow evening, February 9, from 8 to 10, prior to their dearture for Boston Wednesday. Mrs. Henry W. Blair will receive with

Mrs. Lander, 45 B street southeast, Mondays during the rest of the season. his friends, was taken to a leap year party FALLS CHURCH. The members of the M. E. Church held an enjoyable sociable last night at the residence of Mr. Isaac Crossman. The attendance was large and comprised many friends of the church, besides the members. The program of the evening was in charge of Miss Lillie Porter, and consisted of the following, viz.: Singing, "Bringing in the Sheaves;" prayer by the pastor, Rev. S. A. Ball; solo, "I Have Christ; What Want I More?" by Miss Corrie Cooksey; plano duet, Mrs. M. M. Erwin and Miss Susie Crossman; cornet solo, Miss Lillie Porter; recitation, "The Blacksmith," Miss Florence Perrigo; solo, "My Trundle Bed," Mrs. Geo. ma says I am a silly little goose to get agitated over such a small matter, but then I don't care—I know I shall outgrow it when I am older. (Gladys has been on speaking terms with Santa Claus for thir-

Perrigo; solo, "My Trundle Bed," Mrs. Geo. G. Crossman; violin solo, by Mr. E. F. Crocker, with plano accompaniment by Miss Lily Crocker. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Erwin, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. D. Crocker, Rev. and Mrs. S. A. Ball, Rev. and Mrs. S. P. Shipman, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. G. Crossman, Dr. and Mrs. S. S. Luttrell, Mrs. E. C. Dougherty, Mrs. W. B. Turner, Mrs. C. H. Seaman, Mrs. V. E. Kerr, Mrs. Geo. McDaniel, Mrs. J. M. Thorne, Mrs. M. E. Church, Misses Virgie Bugg, Florence Leeds, C. F. Cooksey, Lillie Porter, Stella Birch, Maggle Thorne, Mabel Kerr, Martha Byrnes, Pearl Luttrell, Eva Birch, Roberta Ossire, Sallie Gaver, Mary H. Thorne, Maggle Jacobs, Gaver, Mary H. Thorne, Maggle Jacobs, Messrs. E. F. Crocker, A. D. Swift, Dr. T. C. Quick, Dr. A. W. Boswell, E. M. Ball, G. C. Birch, G. M. Walker, Guy Luttrell, F. M. Kerr, A. S. Mankin, G. K. Thorne and E. Van Horne. The sociable at the residence of Mr. Geo. F. Rollins by the members and friends of the Congregational Church took place the same evening as the above and was of an interesting and profitable character. Mr. Rollins had charge of the program, which Rollins had charge of the program, which was very entertaining, and opened with an instrumental plece by Mrs. T. W. White; solo, Mrs. E. N. Meekins; reading, Mrs. J. B. Gould; violin solo, Mr. John McKillen; reading, Dr. J. B. Hodgkin; recitation, Mrs. Gould; reading, Mr. A. P. Eastman; instrumental music, Mrs. E. N. Meekins.

Refreshments were served. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Beach, Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Gould, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Eastman, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Kinsley, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Meekins, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Rorebeck, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Brinkerhoof, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. White, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Newman, Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Jen-kins, Mrs. G. W. Poole, Mrs. L. B. Parker, Mrs. Maggie Brown, Misses Belle C. Merrifield, Nellie Green, Belle Ball, Florence Poole, En.ma Albertson, Margaret Fay, Mabel Ryer, Marian McGowan, Messrs. H. F. Lowe, Dr. J. B. Hodgkin, W. W. Kinsley, John McKillen, Fred Drew, H. C. Ryer, Scott Ryer, George Albertson. Rev. Geo. W. Quick of Springfield, Mass., who is visiting his parents here, is expect-ed to preach in the Baptist Church Sunday

morning.
Mrs. E. J. Galpin, who has been ill for several weeks, though somewhat improved, is still at the home of her daughter, in Ten-

leytown. The executive committee of the Falls Church Mutual Fire Insurance Company met at the office of the president here Sat-urday and acted upon a large number of applications, adding \$142,000 worth of property to the company.

Miss Roberta Ossire of Washington is

visiting the Misses Crossman. Miss Sallie Gaver of Loudoun county, Va., s visiting Mrs. M. E. Church. Miss Maggie Thorne has returned from a visit to friends in Washington. Mr. G. L. Erwin, contractor, has com-pleted the residence of Mrs. H. W. Loyd

and she has moved in.

A county Sunday school union will be organized at an early date in this county.

Miss Annie Rowell of Washington is visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. A. E. Rowell, at West End.

ing Miss Maud Hodgkin, has returned to her home in Baltimore, Md. Revival services are being conducted in the colored Baptist Church by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Morris, assisted by Rev. Armstead Jores of Georgetown.

AT A LEAP YEAR BALL He Was Only a Timid, Fluttering

Thing, and He Knew It. From the Utica Observer. The "new man" made his initial bow in this city last evening and was launched on the restless social sea with all the pomp and ceremony worthy of such a truly great event. "Gladys," as he is known among

and behaved just "too lovely for anything." or so the women said, at any rate. This is a true story. His escort called at 8:30 and was kept waiting a half hour in true feminine fashion by Gladys, who was putting the finishing touches to his toilet. Finally, just as his escort began to fret and fume under the delay, the tardy young man tripped lightly down the stairs into the drawing room, exclaiming: "Oh, Miss Sorosis! I am afraid you will think I am an awful man to keep you waiting so long, won't you? It was dreadfully stupid of me, I am sure, and I am awfully sorry, really. Mamma mislaid my side combs, don't you know, and we have had such an exciting time hunting for them that I was in a terrible state of excitement when you rang. Mammas and the state of excitement when you rang.

ty-five years.) How do you like my new gown-don't you think it is just too sweet for anything?" gushed Gladys.

When his escort had gone into ecstacles over the bewildering display, the little man coyly r marked: "Oh, you girls are such fearful fibbers we poor men scarcely know how much to believe of what you tell us. You think we consider seriously all the nonsense you tell us-now don't you, honor bright? Well. I just want to tell you we don't, so there, now. Oh, you naughty, naughty girls! But then I don't blame you we men are so silly, aren't we? How thoughtful you were to send me these lovely flowers. I do so adore orchids. Do you know, papa thinks it a shameful waste to squander so much money on flowers for us men, and thinks it would be much more sensible to put the squander to the the thinks it would be much more men, and thinks it would be much more sensible to put the sum in the Homestead Aid Association, where it would accumulate interest. Papa, you know, spent his early days on a farm and wasn't reared to the little niceties of social life. But then he is such a dear kind old soul, and keeps me so well supplied with all money that I would be a such a dear kind old soul, and keeps me so such a dear kind old soul, and keeps me so well supplied with pin money that I can't bear the thought of openly disagreeing with him. Poor, dear papa! I really don't know what I would do without him—I don't think the woman lives that I would marry and leave my papa. (Gladys starts for the carriage and gets as far as the door, when he calls out in alarm). "Oh marma where the calls out in alarm.) "Oh, mamma, where is my fan and the door key? I am so thoroughly excited I nearly forgot them."

(These necessary articles are produced, Gladys cuddles confidingly up to his escort

in the carriage, and the party is fairly off for the party.)
Arriving at the ball Gladys devoted fifteen minutes to rearranging his hair, and was ready to go down stairs at quarter before 10.

Steel Construction in Birds' Nests. From the London Daily News.

A curious gift has been made to the Natural History Museum of Soletta. This gift consists of a bird's nest constructed entirely of steel. There are a great many watchmakers at Soletta, and in the vicinity of the workshops there are always the remains of the old springs of watches which have been cast aside.

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Last summer a watchmaker discovered this curious bird's nest, which had been built in a tree in his court yard by a pair of water-wagtails. It measures ten centimeters in circumference, and is made solely of watch springs. When the birds had fiedged their brood the watchmakers secured their unique nest as an interesting. cured their unique nest as an interesting proof of the intelligence of birds in adapt-ing anything which comes within their

Near Enough to Guess By

From the Boston Transcript. A lady walked into a Boston book store in search of "Burglars in Paradise." But t West End. what she asked for was "Smugglers fi